Reviewer's report

Title: Cost and predictors of cost of cervical cancer in Ethiopia; cross sectional hospital based study.

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Minor Essential Revisions
I think this is an important paper and deserves publication. However, for the reader to gain greater insight into the economic implications for women with cervical cancer, a description of the current Ethiopian health system is necessary - is there any government subsidisation? are all expenses out of pocket? What for instance would be expenditure for a woman undergoing surgery for a benign condition by way of comparison.

I also think that the authors need to define the cost of living for Ethiopians, and the difference between rural and urban populations. Providing these contexts will make for a much stronger article.

In terms of quoting the current global cancer statistics the authors are advised to consult the latest Globocan data which have been updated.

Level of interest: An article of outstanding merit and interest in its field

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:

I have received honoraria for appearing on various speaker forums for Merck/MSD and GlaxoSmithKline and have performed research studies funded by both companies